VIRGINIA'S STATESMEN TO COME TO THE CONVENTION

People's Interests Likely to Be in the Hands of Men Who Can Be Trusted.

DANIEL FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

"Lame Lion" of Lynchburg May Preside Over the Great Gathering-Some Distinguished Men Who May Be Elected Delegates.

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Constitutional conventions are not often held more than once during a generation. The average person has a vague idea as to what this gathering of statesmen is empowered to do. Some look upon it as a horrid monster that is going to creep in and take away the liberties and the rights of the people. The truth is, there are some colored people who have got the idea that their race may be re-enslaved.

The Constitutional Convention is nothing more nor less than a body of gentiemen selected by the people to draft an organic law for them. That is to say, the convention will draft a chart defining certain rights and powers to be exercised by legislatures, courts, etc. It will announce the fundamental law and the Legislature will have to be guided by it in making laws and the caurts will have to observe it in interpreting the laws.

Virginia will, no doubt, have her best men in this convention, as she has always done, except in the case of the Constitution under which we now live which was drafted by carpet-baggers soon after the war. The convention of 1829 was composed of many of the most noted men and statesmen the country has ever preduced. James Monroe presided. Among the members were James Madison, John Marshall and many others of national reputation. A notable figure in that gathering was Rev. Alexander Campbell, the founder of the now great religious sect known as Disciples or Christians. He preached while here a sermon at Old Sycamore Church, on Eleventh Street, which James Madison said was one of the ablest discourses he ever heard.

Virginia is not without statesmen to-day. In fact, she can show up pretty well with any State of the Union. Most of her great men will be in the convention. Jno.
W. Daniel will be there, and if he wants
to preside over this body the honor will
probably be accorded him. The venerable John E. Massey, now SI years of
age, the man whom Daniel has said was, when in his prime, the ablest stumpspeaker in the State, will be a conspic-

The Richmond delegation will probably be headed by Charles V. Meredith, one

of the ablest lawyers in the State; E. W. Saunders, Speaker of the House and recently elected Circuit Judge, may be sent to represent his people. All the judges of the Court of Appeals will probably be members, and the Hon. A. A. Phlegar, who is soon to retire from the bench, will, it is thought, be sent from his county. from his county.

Governor Tyler's people want him to serve them. Holmes Conrad or R.-T. Barton is likely to come from Winchester and Frederick, and Eppa Hunton, Jr., is naturally the man the people of Fauquier will look to, while the eloquent R. Walton Moore will be sent from Fairfax. From Tidewater will come men like Wm. A. Jones, J. W. G. Blackstone, N. B. Westcott, C. Harding Walker and E. T. Embrey, Jr.

The Norfolk section has statesmen like A. P. Them. Joseph T. Lawless, J. C.

When you look to the Southside there is such talent as Wm. B. McIlwaine, Alexander Hamilton, Wm. P. McRae, E. P. Buford, Judge Wm. Hodges Mann, Robert Turnbuil, Judge Asa D. Watkins and scores of others of ability.

Eugene Withers, H. D. Flood, Carter Glass and others, who have been leaders in the convention movement, will be been

Harry St. George Tucker and Wm. A Anderson would make a great team from Reckbridge, and Staunton can furnish some able men in Edward Echols, Judge Quarles, A. C. Gordon and others.

In the Southwest there is no end to the long list of statesmen—men like Rufus A. Ayers, Wm. F. Rhea, Dan and Connally Trigg and scores of others.

If the Republicans should be represented they could have able men in Judge L. L. Lewis, Jacob Yost, Judge Waddill, R. T. Thorpe, General James A. Walker, James S. Browning, George E. Bowden, Park Agnew, Carter M. Loughan and many others that might be named.

It is generally believed that when the convention meets and is organized it will divide up into sections—not geographical sections—but, more properly speaking, committees—that is, a committee will consider the franchise question, others the judiciary system, taxation, county and city offices and so on.

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joined to refrain from an exhibition of previous intimacy and that the ways of the Prince are not the ways of the King. He has determined to be a stickler for the dignity of the Queen and keep well within the shadow of her presented the state of the presented the presente ence when other woman are about.

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NEWS OF I' RSES AND HORSEMEN

The Second Spring Hunters' Steeplechase Event

TO BE RUN OFF AT WASHINGTON

Presque Isle, the Son of Norfolk-Mc-Zous at Gienlea-Young Gossip's Yearling - Braw Lad Wins at New Orleans,

The horse interest in Norfolk is quite an important one now and strong efforts are being put forth to increase it. The Union Stock-Yards Company, recently formed, with a capital stock of over \$200,000, has its yards in Berkeley, just across the river from Norfolk, where auction sales are held four days out of the week and oftentimes continued at purply. Such layer corporate as the Mercelling of auction sales are held four days out of the week and oftentimes continued at night. Such large concerns as the McCleary & McClelan Live Stock Company, Smyth Brothers, formerly of this city, and other well-known firms are located there. The old concern of Hannan & Kelly, which has been in existence for more than a quarter of a century, do a large business in all classes of horses. Recent sales by them include the trotters Lord Harcourt, 2:25, by Graystone; Johnny Wilkes, 2:30; Prince Miller, 2:214; Besant Rule, 2:30, by Bezant, and others without records. Among the fast ones owned by them now are Miss Childers, 2:22½, by Muscovite; Queen Gothard, 2:14½, by St. Gothard; Florence S, by Don Pizarro, 2:14¾, dam by Hambletonian Mambrino; Norfolk Wilton, by Wilton, the dam of Planet, 2:04¾; Sue Turpin, by Al Beaman, and others.

Al Benman, and others.
Andrew Smith, of the McCleary & McClelan Live Stock Co., has recently purchased of parties in Washington the bay gelding Nominee, 2:15½, by Rescue, and will race him this season. Nominee is a dealth exited house and was campaigned. double-gaited horse and was campaigned as a pacer for a couple of seasons with good success by Colin Steel, who has a stable of horses at the Norfolk Driving

Park track.
Captain Williamson has purchased of John Mariner, of the Cottage Farm and proprietor of the Norfolk Driving Park. the bay gelding Too Soon, 2:294, by Al-lerton. Too Soon trotted to his record of 2:294 at two years old, but has since shown his ability to go in 2:15. The son of Allerton will be campaigned this sea-

or Allerton will be campaigned this season.

The Foxhall Stock Farm, owned by Captain John L. Roper, the wealthy lumber merchant, will campaign a stable of trotters this season. Mr. F. Covington, who directs affairs at Foxhall, will have charge of Mr. Hanson, who marked Little Guy, 2:05%, and others, will do the training and driving. Nearly all of the horses in the stable are home-bred and sired by the farm stallion Great Stakes, 2:29, who was a good, consistent race-horse and is getting speed with uniformity. Nearly all of his get that have been trained have shown up well. He had three good ones out last year in Foxhall, 2:193; W. H. M. 2:23¼; and Gypstakes, 2:25%. Several trainers at the Dr'ving Park and others from various sections are expected at an early date. W. H. Leonard, the well-known western train-Leonard, the well-known western trainer, who halls from Indiana, is quartered there and his stable includes some promising youngsters and green trotters and pacers. The pacers Ainsworth, 2:10¼; Sapphire, 2:14¼, and others were prepared for the season's campaign at this track last spring.

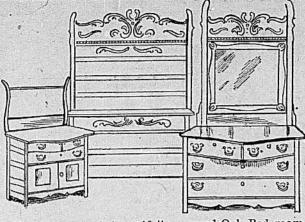
An event of interest to Virginia breeders and owners of hunters and steeple-chase horses is the second spring lunter's steeplechase to be run at the forther's steeplechase to be run at the forth-coming spring meeting of the Washing-ton Jockey Club at the Bennings Track, Washington, D. C., in April. This steeple-chase is for hunters four years old and upward, qualified under the rules of the National Hunt and Steeplechase Asso-ciation, that have been regularly hunted the season of 1900-'01, September 15th to April 1, 1901, with a recognized hunt and hold such certificate from a master, which shall be filed at the time the horse is shall be filed at the time the horse is named. By subscription of \$15 each, play or pay, the Washington Jockey Club to add plate of the value of \$100 and a purse of the value of \$400, of which the plate, the subscription money, and \$250 of the purse to the winner, to the second \$100, to the third \$50.

All subscriptions must be made to H. G. Crickmore, clerk of the Washington Jockey Club, No. 173 Fifth Avenue, New York, on or before Saturday, March 9, 1901, and the horse must be named to him at the race-course of the Wash ogton Jockey Club, Benning, D. C., on or be-fore April 1, 1901. Hunt clubs and indi-vidual subscribers may make as many

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No horse shall by allowances carry less than 130 pounds. Allowances for half-breds must be claimed when the horses are named. Over-weight to any amount allowed if claimed by the time announced

allowed if claimed by the time announced for the first race of the day upon which this race is to be run.

Ten subscriptions, to be made on or before March 9th, or the race may be declared off. About two miles and a half over the Steeplechase Course of the Washington Jockey Club.

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One of the best-informed students of blood lines and pedigrees of both thoroughbreds and trotters we have here is Dr. Fraser A. Smith, of Robinson & Smith, veterinary surgeons, who succeeded Dr. R. L. Tritton. Young Smith is a man of pleasant manners and a close student of his profession. Like his co-worker Dr. Thomas M. Sweeny, he close student of his profession. Like his co-worker, Dr. Thomas M. Sweeny, he graduated with high honors at the Ontario Veterinary College, Canada, and is well thought of here. Dr. Smith came here from Lexington, Ky., where his grandfather, E. T. Haggard, and his uncle, J. R. Haggard, with whom he was formerly associated, are well-known members of the veterinary profession and horsemen as well, the latter having bred the noted gray pacing mare, Bessie Bonehill, 2:05%, by Empire Wilkes. Messrs. E. W. Haggard and T. H. Haggard, who are also uncles of Dr. Smith, are connected respectively with the great breeding establishments of the late Marcus Daly, of Montana, and J. B. Haggin, of California. of California.

"I am satisfied that by next fall he will be Lynne Bel's fastest colt. He is the best-gaited, best-mannered and gamest Atkinson, one of the very best trainers and drivers in Virginia and formerly chief handler of John Mariner's racing stable at Norfolk. Trainer Atkinson refers to the young trotter Gen. Johnson, bred and formerly owned by Mr. Charles Sharp, a prominent lawyer of Norfolk, that he brought out perfectly green last summer and drove to a winning race record of 2:22½, on Prospect Park's half-mile track near Baltimore, Md. Atkinson added in his letter of recent date that he regrets having sold Gen. Johnson, as he did for a tempting price to the President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, after this race: but says: "I want another Lynne Bel, and am going to breed a trotting mare that I saw go a half in 1:02. She is speed crazy, sound, but no good for racing, as she can't be rated. After breeding her to Lynne Bel I shall enter her in some futurity stakes and hope to get a futurity winner."

Atkinson is now training a stable of trotters and pacers for A. L. McClellan, of Norfolk, among them being several of the get of the great race-horse and sire Director, 2:17%.

Mr. George Easton, formerly with the

Tattersalls, of New York, but who for some years past has put in most of his time in the horse-breeding district of the counties of Albemarle. Fauquier and Loudoun, in Virginia, is now located at the old Archer homestead, in Chester-field county, right near Forest Hill Fark, where he is handling a stable of runners, jumpers and saddle horses. Mr. Easton is a brother to William Easton, the famous auctioneer, and one of the best-known men in his line in America, and himself attained wide prominence in the same direction as the auctioneer who disposed of P. Lorillard's famous stable some years ago, when Lamplighter brought \$20,000, while with him were sold twenty-eight other horses, the average acquaintances of George Easton will be glad to hear that he has located here, and, with the material to be had in this section, some good horses will be grad-wafed from his stable, at the Archer

Mr. H. O. Lyne, of Somerset, Orange county, Va., who recently purchased the bay stallion Presque Isle, 2:294, from W. H. Nelson, of this city, is well pleased with that fine, big son of Norfoik, and will breed him to some choice mares this season. In addition to his grand size season. In addition to his grand size Presque Isle is a well-mannered, hand-some horse and a great roadster, while he is much faster than his record indine is much faster than ins record indi-cates, having shown eights in sixteen seconds, a 2:08 gait when in training. By Norfolk the sire of Miss Nelson, 2:114, out of Mambrino, dam of Fanny Cox. 2:20, by Mambrino King sire of the dam of The Abbot, 2:03%, the big bay stallion should do much toward improving the stock of harness horses in Orange county and the contiguous section.

.W. K. Mathews, who has been located at Ravenwood Farm, near the Exposition Grounds track for over a year past, has removed his stable of trotters to the Glenlea Farm and will train over the half-mile track there this season. He has

MILLER'S FOR MEDICINE EVERYTHING THE BEST. McZeus, 2:12, by McKinney, out of Grace

McZeus, 2:12, by McKinney, out of chace Kaiser, the dam of Coney, 2:63 3-1; Miss Bird, 2:32 1-2, roan mare, by Jay Bird, out of Mattie Swepe, by Young Jim; Judge Witt, brown gelding, 3 by McZeus, out of Margaret Walker, by Gambretta, and bay colt 2, by Mcz Bird. The stable also includes the thorough

Bird.

The stable also includes the thoroughbred mares Glory Quayle, 4, by Frandele, dam Agnes Moraney, by Wanderer, a winner at the Deep Run Hunt Club races last fall, and Faustina, by Eolus, dam Warlass, by War Dance, winner of the Deep Run Hunt Club steeplechase last spring. Faustina was bred in 1900 to Blitzen, but does not appear to be in foal and will probably be gotten in shape and started again this season.

One of the cleverest yearlings in Virginia is the chestnut filly Flora Allerton, by Allerton, 2:00 1-4, out of Flora Jefferson, by Elk Nutwood, second dam Flora Diamond, a sister to the dam of Faultiess 2:19 1-4, and Jerome Taylor, 2:21 1-4, by Bay Diamond. Flora Diamond is owned by Mr. W. N. Wilmer, the New York lawyer, and was foaled at Plain Dealing Farm, Albemarle county, where other well-bred trotters, thoroughbreds and hackneys are also owned and bred by Mr. hackneys are also owned and bred by Mr.

The brown horse Braw Lad, by Elolus out of Brown Beauty, has twice been returned a winner during the last three weeks at New Orleans. Braw Lad was bred by and foaled in the Ellersile Stud, Charlottesville, Va., the property of Hengels, the equipe artist, New York. ry Stull, the equine artist, BROAD ROCK.

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Harper's Weekly.

Stopping.
St.-I don't think so; but yesterday
atternoon I read Stanley's "In Parker
africa," and in the evening Nansen's
"Farthest North."—Fliegende Blaetter.

(Copyright; all rights reserved.) (Copyright-All Rights Reserved.) . have found it a tax upon my diplomacy steaming terrapin and its genuine canwhere peace dwells than the most delicious duck where a warcloud threatens to The social world has gone money-mad,

accusations and strained relations. Everyknow that the Vanderbilts, the Belments, the Oelrichs and their respective clans have been waring for a long time. Then Willie K. Vanderbilt, the elder,

with August Belmont, brother of the hus-band of the late Mrs. Willie K. Vander-bilt, the present grandmother of baby LIKE TWO CHERRIES. Like two cherries from one stem, have been Miss Callender and Miss De For-est. For music and for yachting, for so-

tillon with Mrs. Mills. I will never forget Mrs. Mills and her sister, Mrs. Cavendish Bentinck, when as "The Twins" or the Livingston twins, they went to the balls Livingston twins, they went to the balls and parties of twenty years ago. There was little or no perceptible difference between them. I desired to be equally attentive to each and, therefore, left accertain ball-room, believing I had danced with both. I learned afterwards that not being able to tell them apart, I had devoted myself to one and had ignored the other, the other. SMITH IN LUCK.

SMITH IN LUCK.

It is amusing to read in the newspapers of James Henry Smith. One would suppose the much-talked-of bachelor had just arrived in New York and that Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish had been his Christopher Columbus. All this is arrant nonsense. Smith has been for twenty years the same fellow as he is now described to be, only in those days it was known to his same lenow as he is now described to be, only in those days it was known to his friends that he had large expectations from an uncle. He was then, as he is now, a member of the Union Club and a friend of Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish when she was a less members. a less prominent person in the gay

world.

It is said Smith has \$50,000,000 of inherited wealth and two millions of his own making. It is also said Smith's uncle, in London, loved gold better than food, and he believed his nephew was like him. Now Smith for twenty years had the great possessions of his uncle dangling before him and he was compelled to be quiet and avoid exciting this uncle's suspicions. The long-delayed demise having taken place, the long-waited-for wealth having been left behind, Nephew Smith has decided to enjoy the world. If Smith's uncle could be seen in the spirit world, he is probably enacting the pantomine popularity described as "kicking himself," and surely so, if he has learned his nephew proposes to spend \$100.009 entertaining a few friends in London during coronation week.

KING EDWARD TO BE A MODEL.

The Seward Webbs and the Fred Vanderbilts have gone to California in a private car. Fred has not been well of late, and it is hoped the mild air of the Pacific slope will work wonders. I hope so. Fred, is a good fellow, quiet, kind and generous.

Lady X—— writes me from London that

od the Melbas. De Reskes and others of opera. For them the gifted singers sang for the asking, even though they refused the large checks of Vanderbilts and Astors. But it is different now.

How weary one gets of dinner dances. Mrs. Ogden Milis gave a pretty dance for her sweet young daughter, and Worthington Whitehouse enacted the role of Terpsichore, which means he led the co-

A. P. Them, Joseph T. Lawless, J. C. Parker, R. E. Boykin, D. Gardiner Tyler, R. C. Marshall and others who would "hold their own" with any who may be in the body.

In the Southwest there is no end to the

That the convention will be a body

that will guard the interests of all the people, is a fact generally accepted.

VANDERBILTS.

CLOSE OF THE SOCIAL SEASON IN GAY NEW YORK SOCIETY

Warfares and Bitter Feuds Characterize the Ante-Lenten Days.

King Edward VII. Decides to Be a Model for the Men of England-Other Club Chat.

THE

By DIEDRICH KNICKERBOCKER.

This season may be well styled the sca-son of feuds. Drawing-rooms have be-come the camps of hostile factions and 1 to avoid becoming enmeshed in the broils of the Capulets and Montagues of the gay metropolis. I confess I love the flesh-pots of the fashionable world with its vasback, but I will welcome Lent, as it will impose a period of peace if not a period of penitence. Better a dinner of herbs

and the strangest quarrels have been brewed out of trifles. Examine the causes and the result is always the same emulation in expenses, extravagance, failure to compete, heartburnings, insinuations, accusations and strained relations. Every-bedy knows the Willie K. Vanderbilf's, the younger named that baby Muriel, and then went abroad leaving the baby in the direct charge of two nurses and the indirect custody of the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Oliver Perry Hazard Belmont, and the maternal aunt, Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs, But everybody don't know that the Venderbilts the Relaxate

made up a yachting party to cruise on the blue, deep, clear southern seas, and had as his guests the beautiful Mrs. Hunt and her equally beautiful siter, Mrs. Ol-lle Harriman. At Tampa they played golf

cal life and domestic life, they were two minds with but a single thought, two hearts that beat as one. Their musicales were concerts of the highest order, be-cause these maiden ladies posed as social patrons perched on the apotheosis of mu-sical aestheticism, and before them kneel-ed the Melbas, De Reskes and others of opera. For them the gifted sincers same